

VCE Mathematical Methods Units 3&4

Written Examination 2

Suggested Solutions

SECTION A – MULTIPLE-CHOICE QUESTIONS

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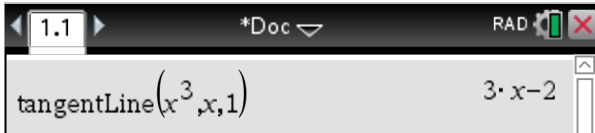
Question 1 D

It is a cubic graph with a stationary point of inflection.

Question 2 D

The gradient is negative for $x \in (-1, 4)$.

Question 3 D



tangent: $y = 3x - 2$

y-intercept: $(0, -2)$

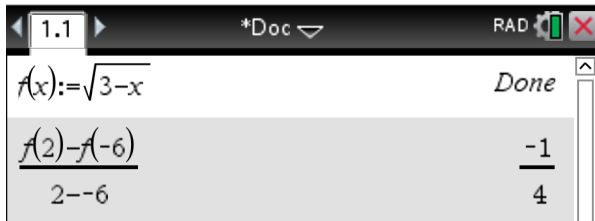
Question 4 C

$$\Pr(\text{same}) = \Pr(RR) + \Pr(GG)$$

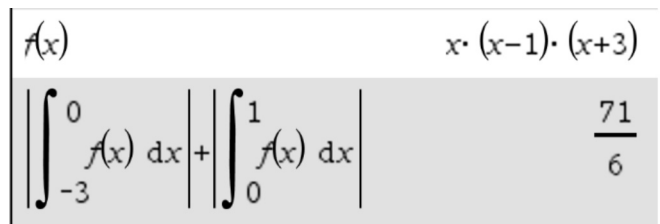
$$= \frac{3}{5} \times \frac{2}{4} + \frac{2}{5} \times \frac{1}{4}$$

$$= \frac{2}{5}$$

Question 5 B



Question 6 E



Question 7 E

$$x' = -(x + 1) \Rightarrow x = -1 - x'$$

$$y' = 3(y + 2) \Rightarrow y = \frac{y'}{3} - 2$$

$$y = x^3$$

$$\frac{y'}{3} - 2 = (-1 - x')^3$$

$$y' = -3(1 + x')^3 + 6$$

$$= 6 - 3(x' + 1)^3$$

Question 8 B

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-2}^4 (x - 2f(x)) dx &= \int_{-2}^4 (x) dx - 2 \int_{-2}^4 f(x) dx \\ &= \int_{-2}^4 (x) dx - 2 \times 5 \end{aligned}$$

**Question 9 A**

There are two possible combinations to check:

Option 1 (correct):

$$m = \frac{-7 - 5}{3 - (-1)}$$

$$= -3$$

$$\text{Check: } y - 5 = -3(x - (-1))$$

$$y = -3x + 2$$

Option 2 (incorrect):

$$m = \frac{-7 - 5}{-1 - 3}$$

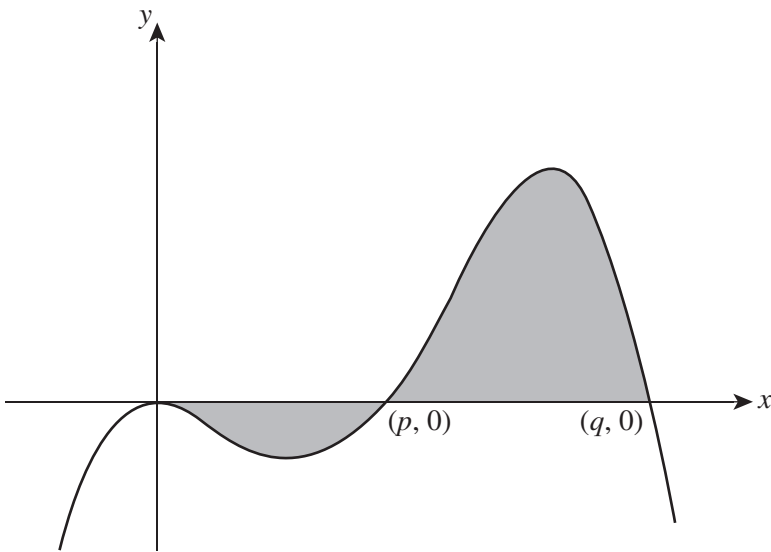
$$= 3$$

$$\text{Check: } y - (-7) = 3(x - (-1))$$

$$y = 3x - 4$$

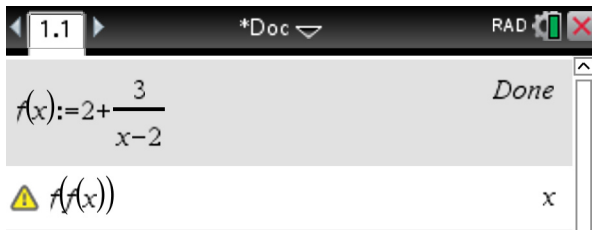
A quick sketch to scale would also be of benefit in determining the correct option.

Question 10 **E**



$$\begin{aligned} \text{area} &= -\int_0^p f(x)dx + \int_p^q f(x)dx \\ &= \int_p^0 f(x)dx + \int_p^q f(x)dx \end{aligned}$$

Question 11 **D**



Question 12 **C**

For x -intercept, let $y = 0$.

$$\log_e(x + k^2) = 0$$

$$x + k^2 = 1$$

$$x = 1 - k^2$$

For positive x -intercept:

$$1 - k^2 > 0$$

$$-1 < k < 1$$

Question 13 **A**

$$y = mx - a \quad (\text{eq. 1})$$

$$y = \frac{2}{a}x + \frac{4m}{a} \quad (\text{eq. 2})$$

For infinite solutions, $m_1 = m_2$ and $c_1 = c_2$.

TI-84 Plus calculator screenshot showing the solve function for a system of equations. The equations are $\frac{2}{a} = m$ and $-a = \frac{4m}{a}$. The solution is $a = -2$ and $m = -1$.

Question 14 **C**

TI-84 Plus calculator screenshot showing the results of a 1-Prop z Interval. The results are:

zInterval_1Prop 10,40,0.95: stat.results	
"Title"	"1-Prop z Interval"
"CLower"	0.11581
"CUpper"	0.38419
"p̂"	0.25
"ME"	0.13419
"n"	40.

Question 15 **D**

$$\Pr(X > \mu) = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \Pr(X > 2\mu) = \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$\text{Let } \Pr(Z > z) = \frac{1}{4}.$$

TI-84 Plus calculator screenshot showing the invNorm function with arguments (0.75, 0, 1) and the result 0.67449.

$$z = 0.6747\dots$$

$$z = \frac{x - \mu}{\sigma} = \frac{2\mu - \mu}{\sigma} = \frac{\mu}{\sigma}$$

$$\frac{\mu}{\sigma} = 0.6744$$

$$\sigma \approx 1.48\mu$$

Question 16 C

A screenshot of a calculator interface. The display shows the expression $\frac{1}{4} \cdot \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \sin(2 \cdot x) \, dx$. The result shown is $\frac{2}{\pi}$. The calculator is in RAD mode.

Question 17 B

$$\begin{aligned} \text{area} &= \frac{1}{2}(a + b)h \\ &= \frac{1}{2}(m + (m + 2m \cos(x))) \times m \sin(x) \\ &= \frac{1}{2}(2m + 2m \cos(x)) \times m \sin(x) \\ &= m^2 \sin(x)(\cos(x) + 1) \end{aligned}$$

A screenshot of a calculator interface. The function $a(x) = m^2 \cdot \sin(x) \cdot (\cos(x) + 1)$ is entered. The calculator solves $\frac{d}{dx}(a(x)) = 0, x$ for $0 < x < \pi$, resulting in $0 < x < \pi$ and $m = 0$ or $x = \frac{\pi}{3}$. The final value is $a\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right) = \frac{3 \cdot m^2 \cdot \sqrt{3}}{4}$.

Question 18 E

range $\sin(x) = [-1, 1]$

range $e^{\sin(x)} = [e^{-1}, e^1] = \left[\frac{1}{e}, e\right]$

Question 19 C

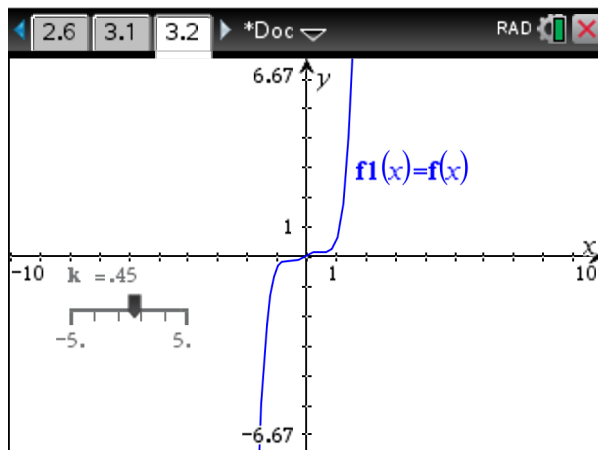
The inverse occurs if $f(x)$ is a one-to-one function (no turning points).

Calculator interface showing the function $f(x) := x^5 - x^3 + k \cdot x$ and its derivative $\frac{d}{dx}(f(x)) = 5 \cdot x^4 - 3 \cdot x^2 + k$. The solutions to the equation $5 \cdot x^4 - 3 \cdot x^2 + k = 0$ are displayed as $x = \frac{\sqrt{-10 \cdot (\sqrt{9 - 20 \cdot k} - 3)}}{10}$ or $x = \frac{-\sqrt{-10 \cdot (\sqrt{9 - 20 \cdot k} - 3)}}{10}$.

$$9 - 20k = 0$$

$$k = \frac{9}{20}$$

Sliders are also useful to confirm properties of the graph.



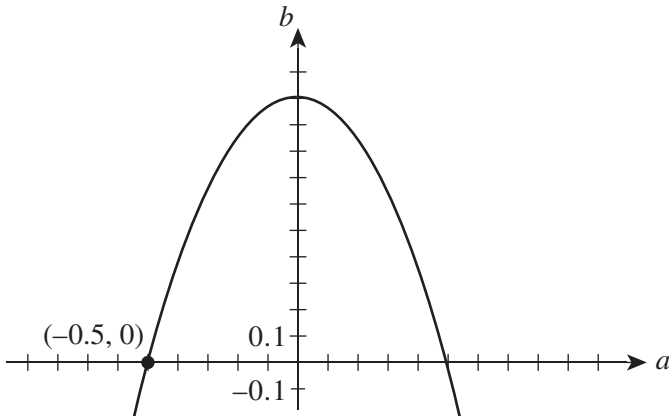
Question 20 **A**

$a^2 + b + a^2 + 2a^2 = 1$ for a probability distribution.

$$4a^2 + b = 1$$

$$b = 1 - 4a^2$$

A sketch of the graph of $b = 1 - 4a^2$ gives information about the relationship. Given that $b > 0$, the minimum value of $a + b$ must occur at the negative x -intercept, where $a = -\frac{1}{2}$ and $b = 0$. Therefore the minimum value of $a + b = -\frac{1}{2}$.



SECTION B

Question 1 (8 marks)

a. period = $\frac{2\pi}{4} = \frac{\pi}{2}$ A1

range = $[-\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{2}]$ A1

b.

$f(x)$	$-\sqrt{2} \cdot \cos(4x)$
$\frac{d}{dx}(f(x))$	$4 \cdot \sqrt{2} \cdot \sin(4x)$

$f'(x) = 4\sqrt{2} \sin(4x)$ A1

domain = $(0, \pi)$ A1

c. Let $f'(x) = 4$ (gradient of tangent).

solve $(4 \cdot \sqrt{2} \cdot \sin(4x) = 4) | 0 < x < \pi$ M1

$$x = \frac{\pi}{16} \text{ or } x = \frac{3 \cdot \pi}{16} \text{ or } x = \frac{9 \cdot \pi}{16} \text{ or } x = \frac{11 \cdot \pi}{16}$$

Test values:

$\text{tangentLine}\left(f(x), x, \frac{\pi}{16}\right)$	$4 \cdot x - \frac{\pi + 4}{4}$
$\text{tangentLine}\left(f(x), x, \frac{3 \cdot \pi}{16}\right)$	$4 \cdot x - \frac{3 \cdot \pi - 4}{4}$

$f\left(\frac{3 \cdot \pi}{16}\right)$	1
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coordinates = $\left(\frac{3\pi}{16}, 1\right)$ A1

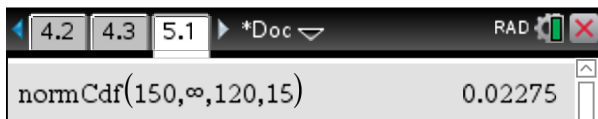
d. A dilation factor of 4 from the y-axis, a dilation factor of $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$ from the x-axis and reflection in the x-axis are required.

$a = 4$ A1

$b = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$ A1

Question 2 (11 marks)

a. $X \sim N(120, 15^2)$



$\Pr(X > 150) = 0.0228$ A1

b. $\Pr(X > a) = 0.75$

$\Pr(X < a) = 0.25$

`invNorm(0.25,120,15)` 109.883

$x \approx 110$ hamburgers A1

c. i. $Y \sim \text{Bi}(100, 0.7)$

$\Pr(Y > 75) = \Pr(Y \geq 76)$ M1

`binomCdf(100,0.7,76,100)` 0.11357

$\Pr(Y > 75) = 0.1136$ A1

ii. $n = 100, p = 0.7$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{sd}(\hat{P}) &= \sqrt{\frac{p(1-p)}{n}} \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{0.7(1-0.7)}{100}} \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{21}}{100} \end{aligned}$$

M1

$$\hat{P} \sim N\left(0.7, \left(\frac{\sqrt{21}}{100}\right)^2\right)$$

`normCdf(0.75,∞,0.7,√21/100)` 0.137617

$\Pr(\hat{P} > 0.75) = 0.1376$ A1

d. $\Pr(\hat{P} = 0) = \Pr(\text{two males}) = \frac{2}{6} \times \frac{1}{5} = \frac{1}{15}$
 $\Pr(\hat{P} = 1) = \Pr(\text{two females}) = \frac{4}{6} \times \frac{3}{5} = \frac{2}{5}$
 $\Pr\left(\hat{P} = \frac{1}{2}\right) = 1 - (\hat{P} = 0) - (\hat{P} = 1) = 1 - \frac{1}{15} - \frac{2}{5} = \frac{8}{15}$

Proportion of female customer service staff (\hat{p})	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	1
$\Pr(\hat{P} = \hat{p})$	$\frac{1}{15}$	$\frac{8}{15}$	$\frac{2}{5}$

first row all correct A1
second row all correct A1

e. $\Pr(\text{M/F staffing} | \text{at least one female}) = \Pr\left(\hat{P} = \frac{1}{2} \mid \hat{P} \geq \frac{1}{2}\right)$

$$= \frac{\Pr\left(\hat{P} = \frac{1}{2}\right)}{\Pr\left(\hat{P} \geq \frac{1}{2}\right)}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{8}{15}}{\frac{8}{15} + \frac{2}{5}}$$

$$= \frac{4}{7}$$

M1

$\Pr(\text{served by male} | \text{staffing is M/F}) = \frac{1}{2}$

$\Pr(\text{customer orders without cheese}) = 1 - 0.7 = \frac{3}{10}$

M1

$\Pr(\text{customer orders without cheese from male}) = \frac{4}{7} \times \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{3}{10}$

$$= \frac{3}{35}$$

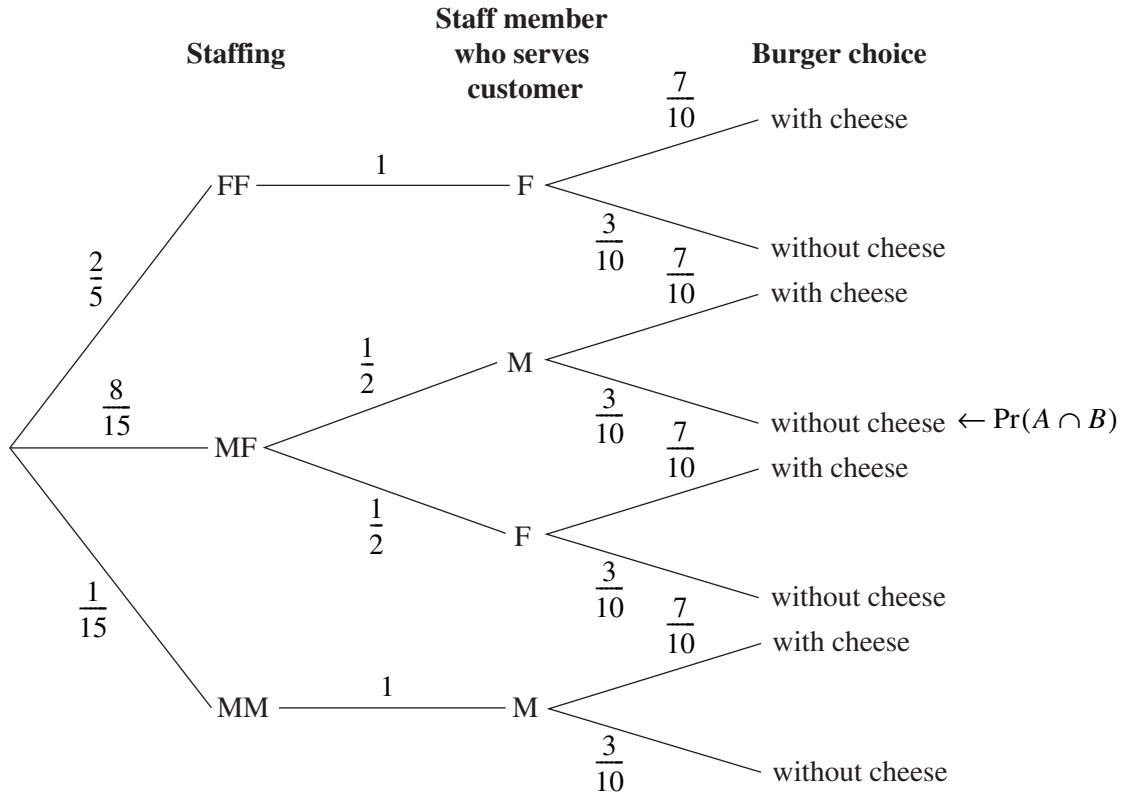
A1

Alternative solution, using a tree diagram:

Let event A = customer orders burger with no cheese from male.

Let event B = at least one female is working.

$$\Pr(A|B) = \frac{\Pr(A \cap B)}{\Pr(B)}$$



M1

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr(A \cap B) &= \frac{8}{15} \times \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{3}{10} \\ &= \frac{2}{25} \end{aligned}$$

M1

$$\Pr(B) = \frac{14}{15}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \Pr(A|B) &= \frac{\frac{2}{25}}{\frac{14}{15}} \\ &= \frac{3}{35} \end{aligned}$$

A1

Question 3 (12 marks)

a. $S = \left(-\frac{1}{2}, \infty\right)$

A1

b. Let $y = 1 - \log_e(2x + 1)$.

For inverse, swap x, y .

$$x = 1 - \log_e(2y + 1)$$

M1

$$\log_e(2y + 1) = 1 - x$$

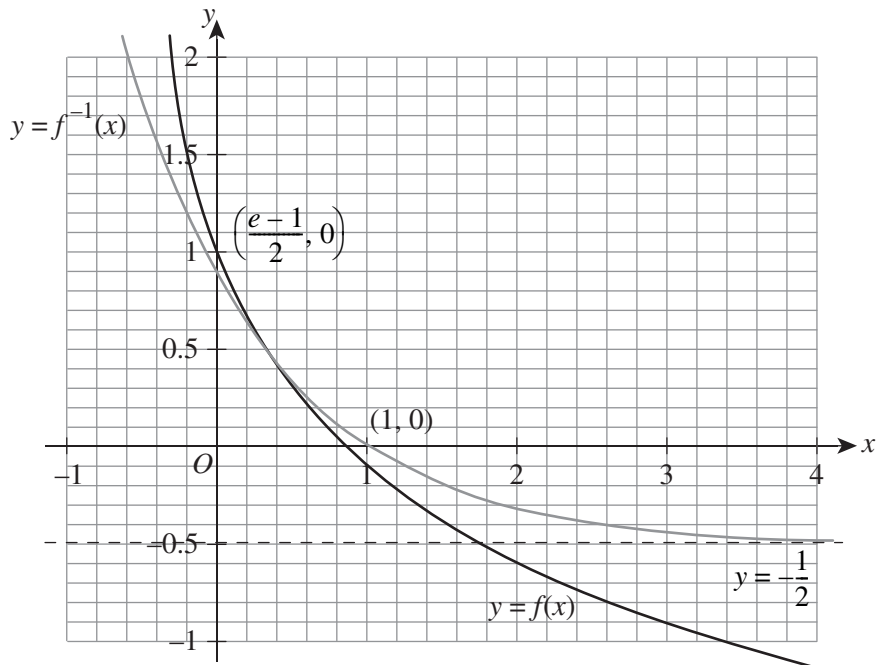
$$2y + 1 = e^{1-x}$$

$$y = \frac{1}{2}(e^{1-x} - 1)$$

A1

$$f^{-1}(x) = \frac{1}{2}(e^{1-x} - 1)$$

c. i.



correct intercepts A1

correct asymptote and shape A1

ii. The area bounded by the cartesian axes and the graph of $y = f(x)$ is equal to the area bounded by the cartesian axes and the graph of $y = f^{-1}(x)$.

$$\text{area} = \int_0^1 \left(\frac{1}{2}(e^{1-x} - 1)\right) dx$$

A1

$$= \left[\frac{-(xe^{1-x} + e)e^{-x}}{2} \right]_0^1$$

M1

$$= \frac{e-2}{2}$$

A1

d.

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{solve}\left(1-\ln(2 \cdot x+1)=\frac{1}{2} \cdot\left(e^{1-x}-1\right), x\right) \\ & \qquad \qquad \qquad x=0.405795 \\ &\text{solve}\left(1-\ln(2 \cdot x+1)=x, x\right) \qquad x=0.405795 \end{aligned}$$

point of intersection = (0.41, 0.41) A1

e. The gradient of the tangent to $f(x)$ at the point of intersection is equal to $-1.104\dots$ A1
 The gradient of the tangent to $f^{-1}(x)$ at the point of intersection is equal to $-0.9057\dots$ A1

$$m = \tan(\theta) \Rightarrow \theta = \tan^{-1}(m) \qquad \qquad \qquad \text{M1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{d}{dx}(1-\ln(2 \cdot x+1))|_{x=0.405795} \qquad -1.104 \\ &\frac{d}{dx}\left(\frac{1}{2} \cdot\left(e^{1-x}-1\right)\right)|_{x=0.405795} \qquad -0.905795 \\ &\tan^{-1}(-1.1040025612859)-\tan^{-1}(-0.90579507) \\ & \qquad \qquad \qquad -5.65974 \end{aligned}$$

acute angle $\approx 6^\circ$ (to the nearest degree) A1

Question 4 (14 marks)

a.
$$\int_0^{\frac{2}{3}}(t) dt + \int_{\frac{2}{3}}^3 k(t-3) dt = 1 \qquad \qquad \qquad \text{M1}$$

$$\left[\frac{t^2}{2}\right]_0^{\frac{2}{3}} + k\left[\frac{t^2}{2} - 3t\right]_{\frac{2}{3}}^3 = 1 \qquad \qquad \qquad \text{M1}$$

$$\frac{2}{9} - 0 + k\left(\left(\frac{9}{2} - 9\right) - \left(\frac{2}{9} - 2\right)\right) = 1$$

$$\frac{2}{9} + k\left(-\frac{9}{2} + \frac{16}{9}\right) = 1$$

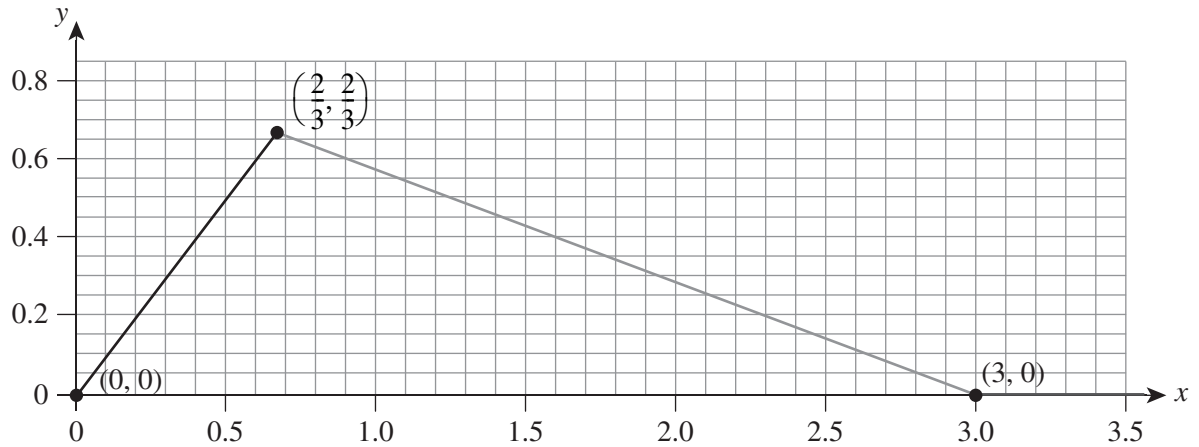
$$\frac{2}{9} - \frac{49k}{18} = 1$$

$$-\frac{49k}{18} = \frac{7}{9}$$

$$k = \frac{7}{9} \times -\frac{18}{49}$$

$$= -\frac{2}{7} \text{ as required} \qquad \qquad \qquad \text{A1}$$

b.



correct coordinates A1
correct line segments A1

$$\text{c. } \Pr(T > 30 \text{ secs}) = \Pr\left(T > \frac{1}{2} \text{ mins}\right)$$

$$\Pr\left(T > \frac{1}{2}\right) = 1 - \Pr\left(T \leq \frac{1}{2}\right)$$

$$= 1 - \int_0^{\frac{1}{2}} (t) dt$$

$$= 1 - \frac{1}{8}$$

$$= \frac{7}{8}$$

A1

$$\Pr\left(T \geq 2 \mid T > \frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{\Pr\left(T \geq 2 \cap T > \frac{1}{2}\right)}{\Pr\left(T > \frac{1}{2}\right)}$$

$$= \frac{\Pr(T \geq 2)}{\Pr\left(T > \frac{1}{2}\right)}$$

M1

$$\Pr(T \geq 2) = \int_2^3 -\frac{2}{7}(t-3) dt = \frac{1}{7}$$

$$\Pr\left(T > \frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{7}{8}$$

$$\Pr\left(T \geq 2 \mid T > \frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{\frac{1}{7}}{\frac{7}{8}}$$

$$= \frac{8}{49}$$

A1

d. $\Pr(T > a) = \frac{3}{5}$

$$\int_a^3 -\frac{2}{7}(t-3)dt = \frac{3}{5} \text{ for } \frac{2}{3} \leq a \leq 3 \quad \text{M1}$$

$$a = \frac{15 - \sqrt{105}}{5} \quad \text{A1}$$

e. i. $\Pr(T \geq 2) = \frac{1}{7}$ (from part c.)

$$A \sim \text{Bi}\left(n, \frac{1}{7}\right) \quad \text{M1}$$

$$\Pr(A \geq 2) \geq \frac{7}{10} \Rightarrow \Pr(A = 0) + \Pr(A = 1) < \frac{3}{10}$$

$${}^n C_0 \times \left(\frac{1}{7}\right)^0 \times \left(\frac{6}{7}\right)^n + {}^n C_1 \times \left(\frac{1}{7}\right)^1 \times \left(\frac{6}{7}\right)^{n-1} < \frac{3}{10} \quad \text{M1}$$

$$\left(\frac{6}{7}\right)^n + n \times \left(\frac{1}{7}\right) \times \left(\frac{6}{7}\right)^{n-1} < \frac{3}{10}$$

$$\left(\frac{6}{7}\right)^n + n \times \left(\frac{1}{7}\right) \times \left(\frac{6}{7}\right)^n \times \left(\frac{7}{6}\right) = \frac{3}{10}$$

$$\left(\frac{6}{7}\right)^n + \frac{n}{6} \times \left(\frac{6}{7}\right)^n < \frac{3}{10}$$

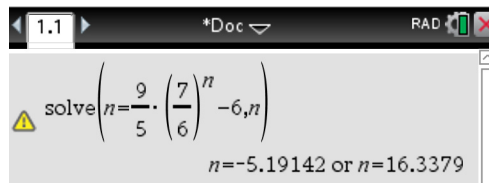
$$\left(\frac{6}{7}\right)^n \left(1 + \frac{n}{6}\right) < \frac{3}{10}$$

$$\left(1 + \frac{n}{6}\right) < \frac{3}{10} \times \left(\frac{7}{6}\right)^n$$

$$\frac{n}{6} < \frac{3}{10} \times \left(\frac{7}{6}\right)^n - 1$$

$$n < \frac{9}{5} \times \left(\frac{7}{6}\right)^n - 6 \quad \text{A1}$$

ii.



$n = 17$ attempts A1

Question 5 (15 marks)

a.

point of intersection = $\left(\frac{2}{3}, e^{\frac{2}{3}}\right)$

A1

b.

M1

$$\text{area} = \int_0^{\frac{2}{3}} (g(x) - 1) dx + \int_{\frac{2}{3}}^1 (f(x) - 1) dx$$

M1

$$\text{area} = \frac{3e^{\frac{2}{3}} - 5}{2}$$

A1

c. i. coordinates: $D(a, e^a)$ and $C(b, e^{-2(b-1)})$

C and D have the same y -coordinate $\Rightarrow a = -2(b - 1) = 2 - 2b$

M1

area = base \times height

$$= (b - a) \times e^a$$

$$= (b - (2 - 2b))e^{2-2b}$$

$$= (3b - 2)e^{2-2b}$$

A1

ii.

$a(b) := (3 \cdot b - 2) \cdot e^{2-2 \cdot b}$	<i>Done</i>
$\frac{d}{db}(a(b))$	$-(6 \cdot b - 7) \cdot e^{2-2 \cdot b}$
solve $(-(6 \cdot b - 7) \cdot e^{2-2 \cdot b} = 0, b)$	$b = \frac{7}{6}$

$b = \frac{7}{6}$ gives the maximum area.

A1

$a\left(\frac{7}{6}\right)$	$\frac{-1}{2}$
	$\frac{3 \cdot e^{-3}}{2}$

maximum area = $\frac{3}{2e^3}$

A1

d. i. coordinates: $D(a, e^a)$ and $C(b, e^{-2(b-p)})$

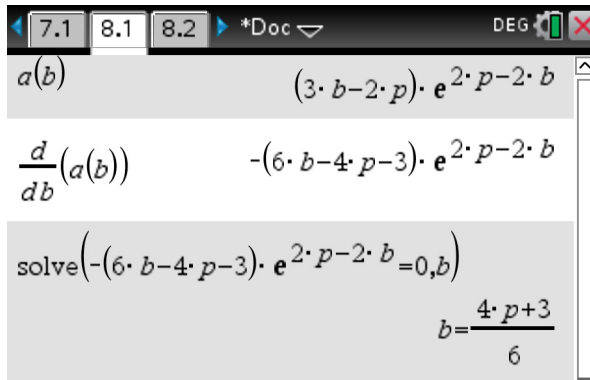
$$C \text{ and } D \text{ have the same } y\text{-coordinate} \Rightarrow a = -2(b-p) = 2p - 2b$$

area = base \times height

$$\begin{aligned} &= (b-a) \times e^a \\ &= (b - (2p - 2b))e^{2-b} \\ &= (3b - 2p)e^{2-2b} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Let } A(b) = (3b - 2p)e^{2-2b}.$$

M1



$$\text{However, } a = 2p - 2b \Rightarrow b = p - \frac{a}{2}.$$

$$\begin{aligned} a &= 2p - \left(\frac{4p+3}{6}\right) \\ &= \frac{2p-3}{3} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{base} &= b - a \\ &= \frac{4p+3}{6} - \frac{2p-3}{3} \\ &= \frac{3}{2} \end{aligned}$$

M1

$$\begin{aligned} \text{base} &= \text{height} = \frac{3}{2} \\ \therefore e^a &= \frac{3}{2} \Rightarrow a = \log_e\left(\frac{3}{2}\right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Also, } b - a = e^a \text{ and } b = p - \frac{a}{2}.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow p - \frac{a}{2} - a &= e^a \\ p &= \frac{3}{2}a + e^a \\ &= \frac{3}{2}\log_e\left(\frac{3}{2}\right) + \frac{3}{2} \end{aligned}$$

A1

ii. $a = \log_e\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)$

$$b - a = \frac{3}{2} \Rightarrow b = \frac{3}{2} + \frac{3}{2}\log_e\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)$$

$$p = \frac{3}{2}\log_e\left(\frac{3}{2}\right) + \frac{3}{2}$$

M1

$$g(x) = e^x \text{ and } h(x) = e^{-2(x-p)}.$$

Solve $g(x) = h(x)$ for $p = \frac{3}{2}\log_e\left(\frac{3}{2}\right) + \frac{3}{2}$.

$$x = \log_e\left(\frac{3}{2}\right) + 1$$

A1

p	$\frac{3 \cdot \ln\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)}{2} + \frac{3}{2}$
$\text{solve}(g(x)=h(x),x)$	$x=\ln(3)-\ln(2)+1$
a	$\ln\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)$
b	$\frac{2 \cdot \ln(3) - 2 \cdot \ln(2) + 3}{2}$

area square $ABCD = \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^2 = \frac{9}{4}$

Shaded area CDE is the sum of two integrals – square $ABCD$ as follows:

M1

$$\int_a^{\ln\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)+1} g(x) \, dx + \int_{\ln\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)+1}^b h(x) \, dx - \frac{9}{4}$$

$$\frac{9 \cdot e}{4} - \frac{9}{2}$$

area $CDE = \frac{9e}{4} - \frac{9}{2}$

A1